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Catalogue of

Plants and Trees

◀ FOR THE ▶

New England Garden

1927

RIVERDALE NURSERIES

and GARDENS, INC.

WEST SPRINGFIELD, MASS.





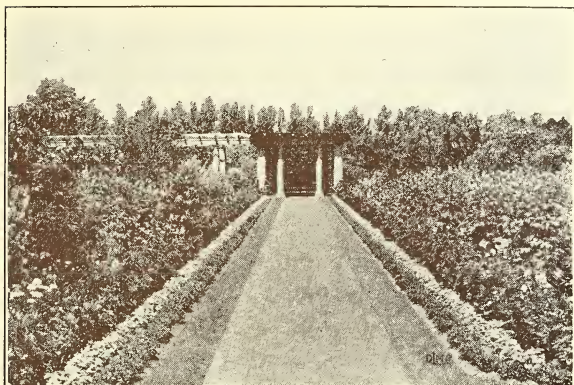
QUALITY trees and plants—the best that can be grown—good service and guaranteed satisfaction have made us a host of friends in past years, and we shall always rely on these principles to hold your continued confidence, and to win new customers.

Our trees and plants are shipped all over New England, but especially do we grow those **varieties which are particularly adapted to this Connecticut Valley Section**, and which therefore you can count on doing best in your gardens.

This catalogue briefly describes and lists the major part of our stock of Hardy Ornamental Trees and Plants, Fruit Trees and Plants, Hardy Perennial and Annual Flower Plants. Vegetable Plants of the choicest varieties are also grown and will be ready during the planting season.

You are cordially invited to visit us. There is plenty of parking space and you will always find good Trees and Plants and much to interest you at The Riverdale Nurseries and Gardens.

Faithfully yours,
WM. H. WOLFF,
Treasurer and Manager



HARDY GARDEN PERENNIALS

Flowers That Bloom Year after Year

Hardy flowering perennials are becoming more popular with garden enthusiasts each year. The chief reason for this is that good old-fashioned favorites like the Peony, Gaillardia, Phlox, Columbine, Delphinium, and a hundred others, with ordinary care, persist and grow stronger each year and furnish regularly in season their wealth of wonderful bloom.

New and improved varieties are constantly being developed and this also adds to the charm of this class of plants. Most of this stock is field-grown for early Spring or Fall planting. Varieties marked thus * are also grown in pots so that they can be moved to your garden at any season without wilting.

Achillea, The Pearl. Small white flowers. June-Sept.

***Alyssum saxatile** (Golden Alyssum). A fine rock garden plant.

Anchusa italica (Heavenly Blue Flower).

Anthemis tinctoria (Golden Marguerite or Daisy).

Aquilegia chrysantha (Yellow Columbine).

caerulea (Blue Columbine).

Aster St. Egwin (Hardy Pink Aster). Excellent.

Climax (Hardy Blue Aster).

Boltonia. Pink aster-like flowers.

***Buddleia** (Butterflybush or Summar-lilac), 50c.

Campanula persicifolia (Harebell).

***Campanula media** (Cup-and-saucer Flower). White, blue, pink.

Centaurea montana (Hardy Bachelor-button).

***Chrysanthemums.** The following garden varieties of Chrysanthemums are hardy, are early blooming, the flowers are of large size and of the most desired shades. They are the best for our section.

Ruth Cumming. Reddish-bronze.

Alice Howell. Old gold.

Normandy. White, pink shades.

Yellow Normandy. Brightest yellow.

Coreopsis lanceolata (Goldenwave).

Daisy, Shasta. Very large, white flowers.

Daisy, English. Dwarf, pink flowers.

All Perennials, 25c. each, \$2.50 per doz., except as noted



Digitalis

HARDY PERENNIALS—Continued

Delphinium bellamosa. Dark blue, 2-3 ft.

belladonna. Light blue, 2-3 ft.

English Hybrids. Various shades, 3-4 ft.

***Digitalis** (Foxglove). Purple and pink shades.

Echinops ritro (Globethistle). Metallic blue.

Gaillardia (Blanketflower). Yellow, red and bronze.

Gypsophila (Hardy Babysbreath).

***Hollyhock.** We offer separate colors in singles and doubles.

***Lathyrus latifolius** (Hardy Perennial Sweet Pea).

Monarda (Bergamot or Beebalm). Scarlet.

Myosotis (Hardy Garden Forget-me-not).

Oenothera lamarckiana (Evening Primrose). Large, yellow flowers.

***Poppy** (Oriental Poppy). Orange-scarlet flowers.

***Chinese Lanternplant.** Orange-scarlet, lantern-like fruits which when cut last all Winter.

Harvard Crimson Carnation. A brilliant crimson hybrid Carnation of good size, and with strong stems 18 in. to 24 in. long; absolutely hardy and in constant bloom June to late Fall. To know this plant is to admire and appreciate it. Should be in every garden.

***Jean.** All season blooming June Pink (Dianthus alwoodi). Stems 15 in. long. Flowers large, white with lavender eye. Blossoms continuously. Excellent for bouquets.

Peonies. White, pink and red. 3-4 eye divisions. Each 75c.

Pyrethrum (Painted Daisy, Pink Marguerite).

Sweet-william. White, pink, scarlet, crimson.

Veronica spicata. Spikes of sky-blue flowers.

Yucca (Adams Needle or Spanish-bayonet).

Thermopsis. Tall with yellow flower spikes. July-August. Very popular.

All Perennials, 25c. each, \$2.50 per doz., except as noted

PANSY PLANTS

Pansies are a specialty here at Riverdale and our Pansies last year were said by many to be the finest ever seen. We were sold out before Memorial Day. Again this year we have spared no expense to produce the finest plants and blooms. See them on display and secure yours early.

Filled, 2-qt. baskets, 50c.

Per 100, large plants, in bud and bloom, \$5.00



Radiance

ROSES

**FAVORITE DOZEN ALL-SEASON BLOOMING,
HARDY GARDEN ROSES FOR NEW ENGLAND**

Frau Karl Druschki. Best white Rose.

Mrs. George Arends. A pink "Frau Karl."

Mrs. Chas. Bell. Shell-pink; very popular.

Konigin Carola. Satiny-pink, very large and fine.

Mme. Butterfly. Pink, apricot, and gold shades.

Radiance. Bright satiny pink, excellent.

Red Radiance. Bright red; a beautiful Rose.

Willowmere. Coral-red; new; a winner.

Mrs. Edouard Herriot. Deep coppery-red.

Los Angeles. Coral-pink and gold shades.

Mrs. Aaron Ward. Deep yellow; a wonderful Rose.

Duchess of Wellington. Saffron yellow, popular.

Strong, 2-yr. plants, each 90c., doz. \$9.00.

**Plants in leaf and bud from 5-in. pots,
\$1.25 each**



Rose, Tausendschon

RAMBLER ROSES

Roserie. Pink. A popular new Rose.

Crimson Rambler. A popular old variety.

Excelsa. A rampant grower; scarlet-crimson clusters.

Dorothy Perkins. Shell-pink clusters.

Dr. Van Fleet. Large, shell-pink flowers; very fine.

Climbing American Beauty. A wonderful Rose; large, carmine buds, long stems.

American Pillar (Apple-blossom pink). A winner.

Paul's Scarlet. Very large buds, much appreciated.

Silver Moon. White; very large, handsome blooms.

Tausendschon (Thousand-beauties). Various shades, pink and white.

Strong, 2-yr. plants, 75c. each, \$7.50 per doz.

**Plants in leaf and bud, from 5-in. pots,
\$1.00 each**

OTHER ROSES

Rosa Hugonis (Father Hugo's Rose, or the Golden Rose of China). Earliest to bloom. Grows like and should be planted as a shrub. \$1.00 each.

Rosa rugosa (Hardy Japanese Rose). Makes a large, strong, shrubby growth. Flowers single, white and pink. 4-in. across. \$1.00 each.



EVERGREEN TREES

	Each
Abies balsamea (Balsam Fir). 2-3 ft.....	\$2.00
concolor (Rocky Mountain Fir). 3-4 ft.....	10.00
Juniperus pfitzeriana (Pfitzer's Juniper).	
24-in. spread.....	3.00
communis (Prostrate Juniper).	
12-in. spread.....	1.25
sabina (Savin Juniper).	
12-in. spread.....	2.00
suecica (Upright Swedish Juniper).	
1½ ft.....	1.75
hibernica (Irish Juniper).	
1½ ft.....	1.75
virginiana (Redcedar).	
2 ft.....	2.25
3 ft.....	3.00
Picea canadensis (Black Hill Spruce).	
18 in.....	3.00
excelsa (Norway Spruce).	
1½ ft.....	1.25
2 ft.....	1.50
3 ft.....	2.00
Pseudotsuga douglasi (Douglas Spruce).	
2 ft.....	2.25
3 ft.....	4.00
Retinospora filifera (Japanese Thread-like Cypress).	
3 ft.....	5.00
plumosa (Japanese Plume Cypress).	
12 in.....	1.50
15 in.....	2.00
18 in. to 24 in.....	3.00
plumosa aurea (Golden Japanese Plume Cypress).	
12 in.....	1.50
15 in.....	2.00
18 in. to 24 in.....	3.00
Thuja ellwangeriana (Tom Thumb Arborvitae)	
12 in.....	1.00
18 in.....	1.50
24 in.....	2.50
occidentalis (American Arborvitae).	
24 in.....	2.00
30 in.....	2.25
36 in.....	2.50

EVERGREENS—Continued

Each

Thuja globosa (Globe Arborvitae).

12 in.....	\$1.75
15 in.....	2.25
18 in.....	2.50

pyramidalis (Pyramidal Arborvitae).

24 in.....	2.50
30 in.....	3.00
36 in.....	4.00

wareana (Siberian Arborvitae).

2 ft.....	3.50
2½ ft.....	4.50

pyramidalis douglasi

24 in.....	2.00
30 in.....	3.00

Tsuga canadensis (Canadian Hemlock).

1½ ft.....	2.25
2 ft.....	3.00
2½ ft.....	3.50
3 ft.....	4.00

SHADE TREES

Each

American Elm , 6-8 ft.....	\$1.25
8-10 ft.....	2.50
Norway Maple , 8-10 ft.....	3.00
Sugar Maple , 8-10 ft.....	2.50
Silver or Soft Maple , 8-10 ft.....	1.50
Weir's Cut-leaf Maple , 8-10 ft.....	2.00
Carolina Poplar , 10-12 ft.....	1.50
Lombardy Poplar , 6-8 ft.....	.75
8-10 ft.....	1.00
Umbrella Catalpa , 2-yr. heads.....	2.50
3-yr. heads.....	3.50

**Norway Maple**



Hydrangea

HARDY SHRUBS

Good shrubbery finds many uses about the home and other buildings. Shrubs are ideal where the object is to provide a Summer screen or to give privacy to the garden. They are also used for foundation planting about the home and other buildings. They furnish a wonderful array of blossoms and even in Winter their bright-colored fruits and stems lend variety and cheerfulness to the scene.

Each

Almond, Double-flowering Pink Almond,	
2-3 ft.	\$0.75
Buddleia (Butterflybush or Summer Lilac).	
Large, field-grown plants.	1.00
Cut-leaf Sumac. Resembles an immense fern,	
2-3 ft. ....	.75
Deutzia, Pride of Rochester, 2-3 ft. ....	.75
gracilis (Slender Deutzia), 12-18 in. ....	.75
Dogwood (Red-stem Dogwood), 3 ft.	1.00
Dogwood (Yellow-stem Dogwood), 3 ft. ....	.75
Golden Bell or Forsythia, 2-3 ft. ....	.75
3-4 ft.	1.00
Golden Elder, 24 in. ....	.75
Golden Syringa, 12-18 in. ....	.75
Hydrangea (Hills-of-snow), early, 3 ft.	1.00
Large-flowering, late, 3 ft.	1.00
Honeysuckle (Tatarian Bush Honeysuckle),	
2-3 ft. ....	.75
Honeysuckle (Japanese Bush Honeysuckle),	
2-3 ft. ....	.75
Indian Currant, red berries, Fall, 2-3 ft. ....	.50
Japanese Quince, scarlet flowers, 18-24 in. ....	.75
Lace Shrub (Stephanandra), 2-3 ft. ....	.75
Lilac, Common, purple, 2-3 ft. ....	.50
Common, white, 2-3 ft. ....	.75
Fancy Named Varieties, 2-3 ft.	1.00
Mockorange (Sweet Syringa), 2-3 ft. ....	.75
Rosa rugosa (Japanese Rose Bush), 2-3 ft.	1.00
Spiraea Anthony Waterer, pink, 12-18 in. ....	.50
vanhouttei (Snow Garland), 2-3 ft. ....	.50
thunbergi, earliest white, 2-3 ft. ....	.75
prunifolia (Bridalwreath), 2-3 ft. ....	.75
Weigela rosea, pink flowers, 2-3 ft. ....	.75



Japanese Barberry

HEDGE PLANTS

Riverdale is headquarters for good hedges and can furnish first-class plants at the following low prices.

California Privet	Doz.	100
18 to 24 in.....	\$1.25	\$7.00
2 to 3 ft.....	1.50	9.00
Amur River Privet , very hardy.		
1½ to 2 ft.....	1.50	8.00
A 4 to 5 yr. beautifully grown and sheared hedge, 50c. per linear foot.		
Japanese Barberry	Doz.	100
1 yr., 9-12 in.....	\$1.00	\$8.00
2 yr., 1-1½ ft.....	2.00	15.00
3 yr., 1½-2 ft.....	3.00	18.00
3 yr., 2-3 ft.....	3.50	22.00

FRUIT TREES

APPLE TREES

We take great pains in having all varieties true to name.

BEST SUMMER VARIETIES

Yellow Transparent.

Red Astrachan.

Sweet Bough (August Sweet).

BEST LATE SUMMER AND FALL VARIETIES

Duchess of Oldenburg

Gravenstein

Wealthy

McIntosh

BEST WINTER VARIETIES

Northern Spy

Baldwin

R. I. Greening

Delicious

2-yr. trees, 5-7 ft., each 75c., doz. \$7.50.

READY TO BEAR APPLE TREES

4-5 yrs. old, 6-7 ft., well branched

Baldwin

Delicious

McIntosh

Northern Spy

Each \$1.50, doz. \$15.00

PEAR TREES

Pear trees are easy to grow, bear regularly and heavily and do not require high cultivation. To bring out the quality and flavor Pears should be picked when mature and ripened in a cool, dark place. The following are proving the best varieties for New England:

Clapp's Favorite. Ripe early September.

Bartlett. Ripe September-October.

Seckel. Ripe September-October.

Anjou. Ripe September-October.

Beurre's Bosc. Ripe November-December.

Fine, 2-yr., 5-7 ft. trees, each \$1.25, doz. \$12.00.

QUINCE TREES

Fine, 2-3 yr. trees, 4-5 ft., varieties Orange and Champion, each \$1.25, doz. \$12.00.

PEACH TREES

Peaches are a comparatively certain crop in central and southern New England. Trees commence bearing usually at 3 years from planting and good crops on 4-year to 10-year trees vary from 6 to 10, 14-quart baskets each season.

BEST WHITE FLESHED PEACHES

Greensboro

Champion

Carman

Belle of Georgia

BEST YELLOW FLESHED PEACHES

Elberta

J. H. Hale

Rochester

First-class trees, 4 ft. and over, each 75c., doz. \$6.00

PLUM TREES

Burbank, Abundance and Lombard are among the varieties which are the surest and heaviest bearers of delicious Plums.

Fine, 2-3 year trees of the above varieties, each \$1.25, doz. \$12.00

CHERRY TREES

Sweet or Heart Cherries

Black Tartarian

Napoleon

Windsor

Acid or Pie Cherries

Early Richmond

Montmorency

Fine, 2-yr. trees, each \$1.25, doz. \$12.00

GRAPE VINES

Every home should have its Grapes. The vines will grow almost anywhere, take up little space and can be trained over the garage, on an upright fence, or as an overhead arbor.

Moore's Early. Best very early blue Grape.

Worden. Blue, best medium early Grape.

Concord. Standard blue Grape.

Brighton. Best red Grape; early. 50c.

Caco. Red; new; a wonderful Grape. 50c.

Niagara. Best white Grape.

4-yr., ready to bear vines, each 75c.

2-yr., vines, each 35c., 3 for \$1.00

RASPBERRY PLANTS

Cuthbert. The well known standard red variety.

St. Regis. Everbearing. Hardy and popular. Doz. \$1.00, 100 \$5.00.

STRAWBERRY PLANTS

There is no crop which will return such a wealth of fruit over so long a period as the modern Strawberry. A row or two should be grown in every garden where space allows. Strawberries are never so good as when picked fresh from the vines with the dew still on them.

Howard 17. You will go a long way to beat "Howard 17." We believe it is the one best Summer fruiting variety ever introduced for this section. Good plants.

Doz. 50c., 100 \$2.00

Lucky Strike. This is by far the best everbearing Strawberry. Good plants. Doz. \$1.00.

ASPARAGUS, Roots or Crowns

MARY WASHINGTON

Mary Washington is the tenderest, most delicious, and best yielding variety of Asparagus for the home garden. It is the only kind planted today by the more progressive market gardeners. Every home garden should have a row or two of this delicious and healthful early Spring vegetable. Once planted, it grows readily and yields bountifully each Spring for many years and the green lacelike foliage in Summer is quite decorative. One or more rows or a bed are quite effective as a garden border or background.

Selected, 1-yr. roots, 50 for \$1.35, 100 for \$2.50.

Very large, 2- and 3-yr. roots for quicker results, 50 for \$2.25, 100 for \$4.00

Planting directions gratis.

RHUBARB ROOTS, Pie Plant

We offer 2- and 3-eye divisions or crowns of this popular Spring garden vegetable.

6 for \$1.75, doz. \$3.00

PLANTS OF ANNUAL FLOWERS

For bedding, porch, and window boxes, vases, etc. For prices, see separate leaflet.

Our stock this Spring consists of 20,000 Geraniums best colors. Plenty of

Vincas

Dracaenas

Heliotrope

Fuchsias

Calendulas

Cosmos

Strawflowers

Fancy Cannas, well started in pots.

English and German Ivies

Dustymiller

Asters

Scarlet Salvias

Petunias

Marigolds

Snapdragons

We particularly call attention to our new **Verbena "Mayflower Pink."** This is a real garden gem. The best plant for the garden border.

First-class Vegetable Plants in season.

Come and help select your own plants.

Plenty of parking space here at Riverdale.

Also open evenings during May and June.